

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: T. D. Nguyen
KAZUMA SATO ET AL.	)	
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of their application in view of the following Remarks, which begin at page 2.